

STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

IN RE:

NONATTAINMENT NEW SOURCE REVIEW; PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION LAC 33:III.504 and 509

LOG #: AQ246F

PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing held by the Department of Environmental Quality, Regulation Development Section, at the Galvez Building, Oliver Pollock Conference Room, 602 N. Fifth Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, beginning at 1:30 p.m., on July 26, 2005.

BEFORE: Lori B. Overland

Certified Court Reporter In and For the State of

Louisiana

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Sandy Stephens Hearing Officer

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None

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None

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2	MS. STEPHENS:
3	Good Afternoon! My name is Sandy
4	Stephens. I'm employed with the Louisiana
5	Department of Environmental Quality. I'll
6	be serving as hearing officer this afternoor
7	to receive comments regarding proposed
8	amendments to the regulations on air
9	quality, inactive and abandoned sites, and
10	water quality.
11	The comment period for these
12	amendments began on June 20, 2005, when the
13	notices of intent were published in the
14	Louisiana Register. The comment period will
15	close at 4:30 p.m., August 2, 2005. It
16	would be helpful to us if all oral comments
17	received today were followed up in writing.
18	This public hearing provides a forum
19	for all interested parties to present
20	comments on the proposed changes. I'll ask
21	that each person commenting come up and sit
22	at the front table and begin by stating his
23	or her name and affiliation for the record.
24	The first amendment is designated by
25	the Log Number AQ246F.

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1	On December 31, 2002, the United
2	States Environmental Protection Agency
3	published a final New Source Review (NSR)
4	rule revising the regulations that implement
5	the Prevention of Significant Deterioration
6	(PSD) and Nonattainment New Source Review
· 7	provisions of the Clean Air Act. To be
8	approvable under the State Implementation
9	Plan, states implementing the Part C PSD
10	permit program in section 51.166 of the
11	Clean Air Act, or the Part D nonattainment
12	NSR permit program in section 51.166 of the
13	Act, must include EPA's December 31, 2002,
14	changes as minimum program elements. States
15	must adopt and submit revisions to their
16	part 51 permitting programs implementing
17	these minimum program elements no later than
18	January 2, 2006 (67 FR 80240). This rule is
19	also being proposed as a revision to the
20	Louisiana State Implementation Plan for air
21	quality.
22	EPA's New Source Review revisions
23	include five major elements:
24	1. Baseline Emissions-changes the
25	method for determining the source's

1	emissions before a change is made (the
2	baseline against which emissions increases
3	are measured);
4	2. Applicability Test-changes the
5	method for estimating the emissions after
6	the change;
7	3. Clean Unit Exclusion-disregards
8	increases from emissions units that have
9	installed controls within the last 10 years;
10	4. Pollution Control Project
11	Exclusion-exempts certain projects that will
12	cause a significant increase in emissions of
13	one pollutant, but reduce emissions of
14	another pollutant; and
15	5. Plantwide Applicability Limits-
16	allows facilities to establish a cap on
17	emissions and trade increases and decreases
18	under the cap, without installing controls
19	on new or modified emissions units.
20	Does anyone care to comment on this
21	regulation?
22	If not, the hearing on AQ246F is
23	closed.
24	I'd like to thank you for your
25	attention and participation.

1 This	hearing	is	closed.
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THE HEARING WAS CONCLUDED AT 1:35 P.M.

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2	I, Lori B. Overland, Certified Court
3	Reporter, in and for the State of Louisiana, the
4	officer, as defined in Rule 28 of the Federal
5	Rules of Civil Procedure and/or Article 1434(b)
6	of the Louisiana code of Civil Procedure, before
7	whom this sworn testimony was taken, do hereby
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21	Lori Overland, C.C.R.
22	# 9708



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25	the Log Number AQ246L.

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2	States Environmental Protection Agency
3	published a final New Source Review rule
4	revising the regulations that implement the
5	Prevention of Significant Deterioration and
6	Nonattainment New Source Review provisions
7	of the Clean Air Act. To be approvable
8	under the State Implementation Plan, states
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16	programs implementing these minimum program
17	elements no later than January 2, 2006 (67
18	FR 80240). This rule is also being proposed
19	as a revision to the Louisiana State
20	Implementation Plan for air quality.
21	The department's proposed rule AQ246F
22	adopts the federal rule. This rule, AQ246L,
23	includes Louisiana revisions put forward by

the department. These revisions supersede

text in proposed rule AQ246F. According to

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Section 49:953(F)(1) of the Administrative

Procedure Act, the department is required to

propose a rule that differs from a federal

rule separately from a proposed rule that is

identical to a federal rule.

Louisiana's rule adds consequences for underestimation of projected actual emissions. If an owner or operator reevaluates projected actual emissions for a project originally determined not to result in a significant net emissions increase and determines that the project has resulted or will now result in a significant net emissions increase, the owner or operator must either request that the administrative authority limit the potential to emit of the affected emissions units as appropriate via federally enforceable conditions such that a significant net emissions increase will no longer result, or submit a revised prevention of Significant Deterioration application within 180 days.

Louisiana's rule eliminates "malfunctions" from the definitions of "baseline actual emissions" and "projected

1	actual emissions." For purposes of this
2	regulation, emissions that are permitted or
3	otherwise authorized (e.g., by a variance)
4	are not to be considered malfunctions.
5	Louisiana's rule omits the exclusions
6	for temporary and permanent clean coal
7	technology demonstration projects and for
8	the reactivation of a very clean coal-fired
9	electric utility steam generating unit.
10	Also, non-substantive wording and/or
11	structural changes are made to update the
12	regulations and improve readability (e.g.,
13	alphabetized definitions.)
14	Does anyone care to comment on this
15	regulation?
16	If not, the hearing on AQ246L is
17	closed.
18	I'd like to thank you for your
19	attention and participation.
20	This hearing is closed.
21	THE HEARING WAS CONCLUDED AT 1:40 P.M.
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1	CERTIFICATION
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7	best of my ability and understanding, at the
8	time and place hereinbefore noted, in the above
9	entitled cause.
10	I further certify that the witness was duly
11	sworn by me in my capacity as a Certified Court
12	Reporter pursuant to the provisions of R.S.
13	37:2551 et seq. in and for the state of
14	Louisiana; that I am not of counsel nor related
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